

NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Lincoln passed By-law No. 2024-22 on the 15th day of April, 2024 under Sections 17 and 21 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990. By-law No. 2024-22 adopts Official Plan Amendment No. 17 to the Official Plan of the Town of Lincoln.

In reaching its decision to approve By-law No. 2024-22 and adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 17, Council considered all of the written and oral submissions and agrees with the planning report analysis and recommendations and finds that, subject to the conditions of approval, this application/amendment meets the Planning Act criteria, is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and complies with the Growth Plan and the Niagara Region Official Plan and the purpose and intent of Town Official Plan.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal in respect of the Amendment by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Lincoln not later than the 6th day of May, 2024, a notice of appeal to the Amendment. A notice of appeal must:

- (i) Be made in writing;
- (ii) Must set out the reasons for the appeal;
- (iii) Must set out the specific part(s) of the Official Plan Amendment to which the appeal applies; and
- (iv) Be accompanied by a fee of \$1,100.00 in the form of a certified cheque, money order, or credit card payable to the Minister of Finance (This is the fee required by the Ontario Land Tribunal). An appellant may request a reduction of the filing fee to \$400, if the appellant is a private citizen or eligible community group. The request for a reduction in the fee must be made at the time of filing the appeal.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment is exempt from approval by the Regional Municipality of Niagara. The decision of Council is final if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing a notice of appeal.

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the municipality to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

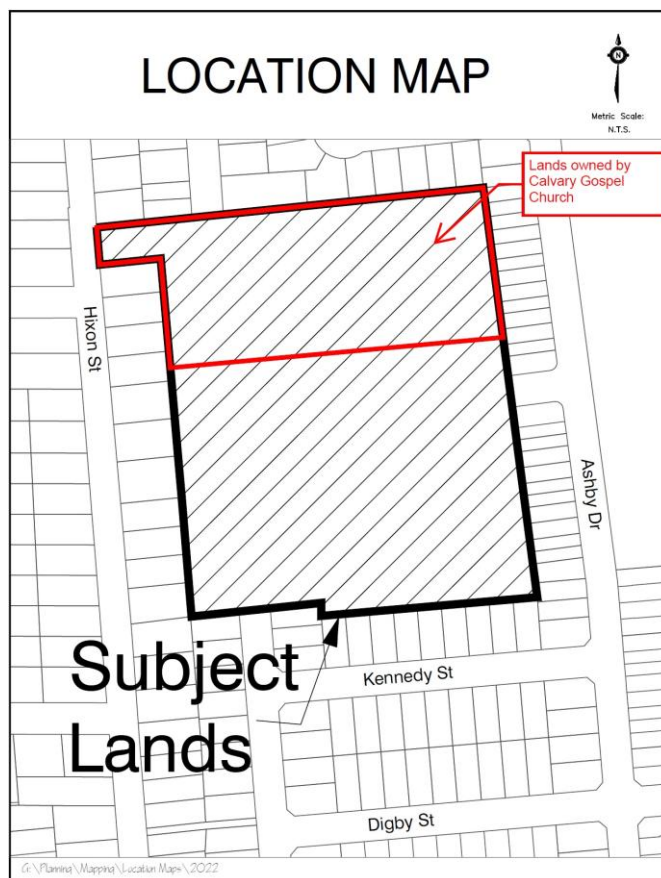
No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the amendment was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Council, or in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body to the appeal.

Below is an explanation of the purpose and effect of Amendment No. 17 and a map outlining the location of the lands affected by Amendment No. 17. A complete copy of Amendment No. 17 can be found online at www.lincoln.ca. Should you wish to review the Official Plan Amendment in the Legislative Services Department please contact Legislative Services - Clerks Department by e-mail at clerks@lincoln.ca or by calling 905-563-2799 ext. 513.

EXPLANATION OF THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF AMENDMENT NO. 17

The subject lands are presently regulated by the Residential, Low Density and Medium Density Residential policies. The purpose of this Official Plan Amendment is to apply the Medium Density Residential, High Density Residential and Open Space policies to the lands which will be developed. The lands retained by Calvary Gospel Church will remain Residential.

The Official Plan Amendment seeks site specific policies to facilitate the proposed development. The permitted dwelling types in the Medium Density Residential policy for the subject lands will also include single detached and semi-detached units. Presently, these dwelling types are not listed as permitted land uses. The High Density Residential policy is being amended to allow a maximum density of 350 dwelling units per hectare whereas the present maximum is 120 dwelling units per hectare. In addition, the maximum building height is capped at four storeys whereas six is the present maximum.



The amendment is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, and conforms to the Growth Plan, Regional Official Plan, and general intent of the Town's Official Plan.

Dated at the Town of Lincoln this 16th day of April 16, 2024

Julie Kirkelos
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk